

Biography of Dave McAlpin, appointed to the Montana State Tax Appeal Board

Dave McAlpin grew up on the family dairy farm in Polson, Montana and was appointed to the State Tax Appeal Board by Gov. Bullock in January 2013. Before joining the Board, he served four years as the Director of the Montana State Crime Laboratory in Missoula. In 2010 he oversaw the lab's award of international accreditation, and was the first Montana Director elected to the national board of the American Society of Crime Lab Directors in 2011.

McAlpin served three terms in the Montana House of Representatives as a member of the House Taxation committee. He was appointed by the Speaker of the House to the interim Revenue and Transportation Committee with legislative oversight of the Montana Dept. of Revenue. He was also appointed by the Speaker to negotiate water rights on behalf of the State with tribal governments and the federal government as a member of the Montana Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission.

In various capacities as a legislator and public servant he has managed caseloads efficiently and presided over large and complex cases/hearings. Prior to this he served as a Congressional staffer in Bozeman, and Washington, DC. McAlpin was the Chief Deputy Clerk of the Montana Supreme Court, managing cases and appellate processes for the office. As Director of the Crime Lab he was responsible for efficient case flow of thousands of complex forensic cases every year.

McAlpin received his Bachelor's Degree from the University of Montana. He has owned and managed his own business, and has experience in property valuation. He is currently enrolled in coursework for Administrative Law Judges provided by the National Judicial College.

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Board Member **Montana State Tax Appeal Board** **January 2013-present**
Appointed by Governor as Administrative Law Judge to hear appeals of tax assessment in Montana. Enrolled in National Judicial College coursework in evidentiary rulings. Scheduled for International Association of Assessing Officers training in 2013.

Lab Director **Montana State Crime Lab** **2009- 2013**
Director of state forensic science laboratory/medical examiner office. Managed caseload of 7,664 forensic examinations for local, county, state, and federal agencies in 2012. Managed \$4m annual budget and 34 FTE. Provided training to judges, attorneys and other lab customers. Successfully oversaw Montana lab's effort to achieve International lab accreditation, awarded in 2010. First Montana lab director elected to national Crime Lab Directors board. Appointed to national Ethics committee.

Commissioner **Montana Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission** **2007-2009**
Appointed by Speaker of House to sit on state team negotiating water rights with federal government and sovereign Tribal nations in Montana. Worked primarily on Flathead reservation compact during its formative stages of drafting and development. Attended monthly negotiating sessions with tribe and federal representatives.

Executive Director **Court Appointed Special Advocates** **2006- 2009**
Directed this Missoula County 501c3, which recruited and trained court-appointed advocates to represent abused and neglected children in the Montana courts. Raised, directed and managed budget. Prepared payroll and paid state and federal taxes. Coordinated annual fiscal audit.

Legislator **House District 94, Missoula** **2005- 2009**
Served three terms, representing south-central Missoula. Appointed to Taxation, Health and Human Services, and Local Government committees. Extensive work in tax legislation. Appointed to interim Revenue and Transportation committee with oversight of Department of Revenue. Elected Minority Whip in 2007, appointed Vice-chair of Fish and Wildlife committee in 2009. Leader in smoke-free policy, environmental toxin prevention, domestic violence prevention, and youth exercise promotion.

Small Business Owner **2004-2007**
Founded his own consulting firm incorporating in Montana. Clients included Missoula Open Space, Mayor John Engen, the Progressive States Network think tank, and a national author.

Coordinating Producer **Barrett Productions for ESPN** **2001-2002**
Organized, planned and executed three ESPN outdoor television series for international television production company. Liaison with national Trout Unlimited, Ford Motor Media, and ESPN Outdoors.

Chief Deputy Clerk **Montana Supreme Court** **1995-1998**
Office manager of daily operations and case management of the Clerk's office of Montana's Supreme Court. Coordinated, planned, and directed Clerk's office activities on behalf of elected Clerk of Court. Presented and lobbied office budget to Legislature. Taught seminars on appellate procedure.

Field Director **U.S. Senator Max Baucus** **1993- 1995**
Lead Staff in Bozeman field office supervising casework and political matters pertaining to Senator Baucus for southwestern Montana. Member of Chamber of Commerce task force on affordable housing. Board member of Emerson Cultural Center and Head Start. Worked directly with MSU Bozeman President and staff. Graduate of Library of Congress legislative process class. Attended USDA college classes in public policy at night.

Dave McAlpin resume continued:

Education:

University of Montana	Bachelor's Degree in Political Science awarded Coursework in public administration: Strategic Planning, Administrative Law, and Human Resource Management
Carleton College	History Major with Political Economy minor Lettered in Wrestling Member of jazz orchestra
Polson High School	Accepted to U.S. Coast Guard Academy Lettered in football and band 1982 VFW Boys-state delegate Eagle Scout award, Troop 47

Service:

Big Brothers and Sisters of Missoula board member. 2009-present.
Paxon Grade School volunteer. 2011-present.
Western Montana Boy Scout Council, presented on forensics. 2012.

Awards/Training:

- Elected to American Society of Crime Lab Directors Board of Directors (ASCLD). First MT lab director to be elected to this position.
- Presented by invitation to US Dept. of Justice National Institute of Justice conference on maintaining case flow during crime lab construction. Elected to chair national Advocacy Committee appointed to national Ethics Committee of ASCLD.
- Presented by invitation on video court testimony and forensic video classes at Mid-west crime lab meeting.
- Selected as a member of the 2006 class of the Flemming National Leadership Institute. First Missoula legislator ever selected joining Montana alumni Sen. Jon Tester, and former Lt. Gov. John Bohlinger.
- Named by Speaker of Montana House to Legislative interim committee on Revenue and Transportation.
- Taught three workshops for Centers for Disease Control office on Smoking and Health in Billings, Reno, and Atlanta.
- Presented by invitation to national tobacco use prevention conferences in San Francisco, Chicago, and Wilmington.
- Appointed by Governor Schweitzer/DPHHS Director to the MT Tobacco Prevention Advisory Board.
- Certificate of Recognition for achievement by Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Smokeless States Project.